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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF CAREY D. GRANGER

1. UNCLASSIFIED: GRANGER IS DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, WICHITA EAGLE AND WICHITA BEACON, AND PLANS VISIT LONDON (JULY 30-3 AUGUST), BELFAST (AUGUST 13-17) AND DUBLIN (AUGUST 17-20) TO PREPARE SERIES ON NORTHERN IRELAND. SENATOR PEARSON (R, KANSAS) AND CONGRESSMAN SHRIVER (R, KANSAS) HAVE REQUESTED DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING BRIEFINGS AND INTRODUCTIONS.

2. GRANGER ALSO CONTACTED IRISH DESK OFFICER DIRECTLY WHO SUGGESTED GRANGER CONTACT FSO GLEYSTEEN AT AMEMBASSY LONDON, CONGEN PENBERTHY IN BELFAST AND DCM SORENSON IN DUBLIN TO ARRANGE BRIEFING ON NORTHERN IRELAND SITUATION. DESK OFFICER WAS UNAWARE AT TIME THAT GLEYSTEEN WOULD BE ON HOME LEAVE; WOULD APPRECIATE NAME OF ALTERNATIVE EMBOFF TO SUGGEST TO GRANGER.

3. BEGIN LOU: IN CONVERSATION WITH DEPTOFF IT BECAME CLEAR
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GRANGER KNEW LITTLE ABOUT NORTHERN IRELAND BUT HAD NO AXES

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TO GRIND AND WAS GRATEFUL FOR INFORMATION. HE PLANS READ FOREIGN MINISTER FITZGERALD'S NEW BOOK AND OTHER MATERIALS SUGGESTED BY DEPT. HE WILL ALSO TAKE DISCREET LOOK AT POSSIBILITY OF WICHITA-BELFAST SISTER-CITY LINK ALTHOUGH HE IS NOW MORE AWARE OF PROBLEMS INVOLVED.

3. REQUEST CABLE CONFIRMATION THAT ACTION ADDRESSEES CAN ARRANGE SUITABLE BRIEFINGS FOR GRANGER. END LOU. ROGERS

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